mations to persons appearing as witnesses before him; and false swearing in any matter of proceeding aforesaid shall be deemed perjury and shall be punishable as such; and the said fire marshall shall have authority at all times of the day or night, in the performance of the duties imposed by the provisions of this act, to enter upon and examine any building or premises where any fire shall have occurred, or which at the time may be burning, and also the power to enter upon at any time any building adjacent to that in which the fire occurred, should he deem it necessary to the proper discharge of his duties.

1894, ch. 248.

4. The entire expense of the office hereby created shall not exceed fifty-five hundred dollars (\$5,500) a year, which shall be paid out of moneys paid into the State treasury by or for the insurance companies doing business in this State; and immediately upon the qualification of the fire marshal, as provided herein, the treasurer of the State shall, upon the warrant of the Comptroller, pay to the said fire marshal the sum of twenty-seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$2,750), and a like sum at the expiration of each succeeding period of six months, and out of the moneys thus by said fire marshal received, he shall pay himself a salary of twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500) per annum, payable in monthly installments; and he shall provide himself a clerk at a salary not exceeding twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200) a year, also payable monthly; he shall also be allowed out of said moneys a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500) a year for office rent, and may employ from time to time such other clerical and other assistants, and provide himself with such means of conveyance as in his judgment the necessities of the office may require; and when in the proper discharge of his duties he is compelled to go outside the limits of the city of Baltimore, he shall be allowed his traveling, hotel and other necessary expenses; he shall also provide himself with such office fixtures and appliances as the needs of his office may require; and at the end of each year, accounting from the date of his qualification as fire marshal, he shall make to the comptroller, under oath, a full report of the receipts and disbursements received and made by him during the preceding year, and shall at the same